in the Road Board Programme, but it should go skirting the sea from Chellanam to Mattancheri. Of course, this alignment was considered by the Road Board at that time but it necessitated passing through certain portions of British land also, and it was also thought that the cost of acquisition of lands for this new alignment will be much more than the alignment suggested by the Road Board. For these two reasons, the Board did not accept the proposal. Of course, I can certainly say that the new proposal will be more useful to the public. There will be no ferry to cross.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. പി. കണ്ണപിള്ള: ബണ്ട് കെട്ടുവാൻ തീർച്ചയാക്കിയിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

***Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon** *(Chief Engineer):* The acquisition charges will be rather heavy and as the hon'ble member said there was no poramboke area at all in that alignment. We corresponded with the Malabar District Board in reference to this question and they said that there will be no objection for them to do their portion of the work if Cochin will do their portion. Now I must find out what the cost of the new work will be and whether it will be possible for us to finance it from the allotment which we have got. I am ordering an investigation now.

Mr. President: This will have to be considered again by the Road Board?

***Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon** *(Chief Engineer):* It will have to be placed again before the Board.

* മിസ്റ്റർ വി. പി. കണ്ണപിള്ള: അങ്ങിനെയാണെങ്കിൽ സാധിക്കയില്ല. ഈ മുച്ചതിനായിരം രൂപാ കൊണ്ട് ആ റോഡ് പൂർത്തിയാക്കാൻ സാധിക്കയില്ല. എങ്കിലും പണി തുടങ്ങിയാൽ ഈ ഉറപ്പിക കൊണ്ട് എത്രത്തോളം തീർക്കുവാൻ സാധിക്കുമോ അത്രയും തീർക്കാമല്ലൊ? പോരാത്തതു് അടുത്ത കൊല്ലത്തിലും തീർക്കാം.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* I shall place it before the Road Board.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. പി. കണ്ണപിള്ള: ഞാൻ ഇതു പിൻവലിച്ചുകൊള്ളുന്നു.

The motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

Cut Motion No. 13.

Paucity of roads in Chennamangalam.

***Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar** *(Cheruthuruthi): To reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,08,200 for Communications by Re. 1 (The paucity of roads for Vehicular traffic in Chennamangalam and the immediate necessity of providing for some at least in the coming year.* This is to request the Government to redeem the promise they once made

* Speech not corrected by the hon'ble member.

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in this House to construct some roads in Chennamangalam. I made this request long before the construction of the Parur-Chennamangalam bridge and they told me then that by the time the construction of the bridge is over, they would be constructing some roads in Chennamangalam. They have not done so. The construction of the bridge is over and it is being used by the public and there is practically no road in Chennamangalam fit for vehicular traffic. I can assert that although this is one of the richest villages—it is probably as regards population second in the State, the population being about 16,000—there is absolutely not a single inch of metalled road in that village and the Government is not spending money on roads in that village. You can look into the Budget for the previous so many years and you would find that the Government has been making no allotment for the construction of roads. The Government was telling us that they would do so as soon as the construction of the bridge is over. They have not done so. There is some advantage there unlike in other places, because the Paliam Estate will be giving the lands practically free. They have already given some lands for the use of the public as lanes and roads and I understand that the Paliam Estate will certainly allow the public to give the necessary land free of cost to the Government. If that is so, the cost will be much less. I therefore request the Government to look into that question immediately and not even wait for the constitution of the next Road Board. It is such an urgent matter. If the Government cannot find sufficient funds in the Public Works Department, they can find some in the Panchayat Department and construct at least some minor roads in that village. I therefore request the Government to look into this matter.

*Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer)*: The Government have already taken up this question and the Diwan after visiting Chennamangalam has been impressed with the necessity of improving the vehicular traffic conveniences in that place. The Government have now ordered that a committee consisting of the Chief Engineer, the Director of Public Health and the Paliam Estate Manager should make a report on this question and submit it for the consideration of the Government. I am sure the Government will take up this question at a very early date.

The motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

Cut Motion No. 14.

To include the construction of the Kundur-Kuzhur road in the next Road Board Programme.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur)*: *To reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,08,200 for Communications by Re. 1. (To request the Road*

*Speech not corrected by the hon'ble member.

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